

TRAFFIC ALERT

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TRAFFIC ALERT FOR WEEK OF MAY 17-21, 2010

Highway work zones in the Staunton District

The following is a list of highway work that might affect traffic in the Staunton transportation district during the coming weeks. The Staunton district is comprised of 11 counties, Alleghany, Bath, Rockbridge, Augusta, Highland, Rockingham, Shenandoah, Frederick, Page, Warren and Clarke. Work scheduled is subject to change due to inclement weather and material supplies. Motorists are advised to watch for slow-moving tractors during mowing operations. Also, when traveling through a work zone, be alert to periodic changes in traffic patterns and lane closures.

(NEW) _ Indicates a new or revised entry since last week's report.

ALLEGHANY COUNTY

Interstate 64

- * Various locations Debris removal, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * Various locations Bridge and ramp sweeping, mobile work zone, Monday to Thursday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * (NEW) Various locations Paved ditch maintenance, Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * (NEW) Various locations Inlet maintenance, Monday to Thursday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Primary Roads

- * (NEW) Route 60 Spot paving, flagger traffic control. Work is 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.
- * (NEW) Route 220 Spot paving, flagger traffic control. Work is 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.
- * (NEW) Route 311 (Kanawha Trail) Bridge repairs at Tygers Creek located 2.3 miles west of Route 159 to 1.2 mile east of Route 602. Single-lane closures with flagger traffic control. Completion is early July.

- * (NEW) Various intersections Sweeping, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * (NEW) Various roads Mowing around guardrail, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Secondary Roads

- * Route 616 (Rich Patch Road) Box culvert replacement at Karnes Creek. Single lane traffic with stop and proceed sign. Roadway is restricted to a 10-foot width. Single lane traffic will be in place 24 hours-a-day until mid-October. Work zone will be active on weekdays from 7 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Motorists should use extreme caution in this area and watch for construction vehicles.
- * Route 1011 Bridge replacement in Selma area between Route 1002 and Route 1003. Road will be closed Monday to Thursday. Detour signs in place.
- * (NEW) Various roads Pipe replacement, Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

BATH COUNTY

Primary Roads

No lane closures reported.

Secondary Roads

* Various roads – Patching, Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Single-lane traffic with flagger traffic control.

ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY

Interstate 64

- * Various locations Debris removal, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * (NEW) Various locations Paved ditch maintenance, Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * (NEW) Various locations Inlet maintenance, Monday to Thursday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Interstate 81

- * Mile marker 195.6 to 202.5, northbound and southbound Truck climbing lane project. Estimated completion fall 2012.
- * Various locations Debris removal, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * (NEW) Various locations Paved ditch maintenance, Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * (NEW) Various locations Mowing, Monday to Friday, 7 p.m. to 7 a.m.
- * (NEW) Various locations Inlet maintenance, Monday to Thursday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * (NEW) Various locations Limb removal, Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Primary Roads

- * (NEW) Route 11 Tractor mowing, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- * (NEW) Route 60 Tractor mowing, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- * (NEW) Route 60 Hand mowing behind guardrail, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * Route 130 (Glasgow) Bridge construction at Route 501. New traffic pattern. Periodic single-lane traffic with flagger traffic control, signs posted. Monday to Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday, 7 am to noon. Use extreme caution as motorists become acquainted with new traffic pattern. Estimated completion is September 2010.
- * (NEW) Route 501 Tractor mowing, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

* (NEW) Route 501 – Hand mowing behind guardrail, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Secondary Roads

- * Route 610 (Plank Road) Road will be closed at the Route 693 (High Bridge Church Road) intersection for a bridge replacement project at Spring Gap Creek. The closure will begin on May 3 and last until June 24. Motorists may detour this area by using Route 692 and Route 693. Detour and road closed signs will be place in the work zone area.
- * Various roads Grading. Work is Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * Various roads Brush cutting, spot patching and repairing low shoulders. Traffic controlled by flaggers, Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

HIGHLAND COUNTY

Primary Roads

* (NEW) Route 250 – Patching from Monterey to West Virginia state line. Work is Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Flagger and sign traffic control.

Secondary Roads

* (NEW) Route 600 – Brush cutting from Route 250 to 4.7 mile south of Route 250. Work is Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Flagger and sign traffic control.

AUGUSTA COUNTY

Interstate 64

No lane closures reported.

Interstate 81

- * (NEW) Mile marker 205 to 237 northbound and southbound Debris removal, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * (NEW) Various locations Mowing with mobile lane closures, Monday to Friday 24-hour operation.
- * (NEW) Various locations Limb removal, Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Primary Roads

* (NEW) Churchville Avenue (Route 250, Staunton), eastbound – Road reconstruction activities. (UPDATE) North Central Avenue and North Lewis Street are open to traffic. Be alert for a new traffic pattern on May 19 between North Augusta and North Lewis Streets. The will be a lane shift for westbound traffic on Churchville avenue.

Expect intermittent delays from North Augusta Street to North Lewis Street due to utility installation work. Intermittent flagger traffic control for work in westbound lane. Speed limit in the project area reduced to 25 miles-per-hour. Four recommended detours for eastbound Churchville Avenue traffic heading into Staunton business district from Route 262/Route 250 interchange are to North Augusta Street:

• Take Route 250 and turn right onto Grubert Avenue and then turning left onto West Beverly Street, which intersects with North Augusta Street.

- Take Route 250 and turn right onto Thornrose Avenue and then turning left on to West Beverly Street, which intersects with North Augusta Street.
- Take Churchville Avenue and turn left onto Springhill Road to Route 262. Turn right onto Route 262 north to the Route 11 intersection. Turn right onto Route 11 and take Route 11 bypass (Commerce Road) into Staunton.
- At the Route 262/Route 250 interchange take Route 262 north to the Route 11 intersection. Turn right onto Route 11 and take Route 11 bypass (Commerce Road) into Staunton.
- * Various roads Pipe installation, patching, brush cutting, shoulder repairs, ditching and grading. Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Secondary Roads

- * Route 620 Bridge over Moffatts Creek will have maintenance from 0.02 mile east of Route 252 to 1.83 miles west of Route 726. Possible single-lane traffic, Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- * Route 694 (Chestnut Ridge Road) Rustic road construction from Route 695 to Route 693. Road closed 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday. Work is April 5 to June 4, 2010.
- * (NEW) Route 694 (Swartzel Shop Road) Bridge replacement at Christians Creek tributary from Route 340 (Stuarts Draft Highway) to Route 11 (Lee Jackson Highway). Road closed with detour. Work is Monday to Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Completion is June 4, 2010.
- * Route 907 Bridge over Christians Creek is closed. No reopening date has been scheduled.
- * Various roads Pipe installation, patching, brush cutting, shoulder repairs, ditching and grading. Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

Interstate 81

- * Mile marker 242.15 to 252.50, northbound and southbound Median barrier project. Remove and replace existing median guardrail with high tension cable median barrier. Upgrade substandard guardrail along outside travel lanes. Temporary right shoulder closures northbound and southbound during daylight hours, Monday to Friday to remove and replace existing guardrail. Temporary lane closures northbound and southbound 8 p.m. to 7 a.m., Monday to Thursday to remove and replace existing guardrail.
- * Mile marker 245.5 to 245.4 southbound Underground fiber optic cable work, Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- * (NEW) Mile marker 237 to 263 northbound and southbound Debris removal and inspections, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Primary Roads

- * Route 33 (Spotswood Trail) Signal light installation from Route 981 (Rockingham Pike) to Route 602 (East Point Road). Right shoulder closed, Monday to Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- * Route 42 (Warm Springs Pike) Cable work from Bridgewater Town limits south to Augusta County line. Right shoulder closure, Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- * Route 253 (Port Republic Road) Cable work from Route 825 (South River Road) to Route 655 (Lawyer Road). Right shoulder closure, Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

* Route 253 (Port Republic Road) – Road widening project from Route 704 (Boyers Road) to Harrisonburg City limits. Storm pipe work. Be alert for possible lane closures, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Secondary Roads

- * Route 682 (Friedens Church Road) Entrance and utility work from Route 950 (Walton Way) to I-81 Interchange. Right shoulder closure, Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- * Route 726 (Erickson Avenue) Road work from Route 33 (Rawley Pike) to Harrisonburg City Limits. Eastbound lane and shoulder closure, flagger traffic control. Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- * Route 726 (Erickson Avenue) Waterline work at Route 1173 (Nutmeg Court). Intermittent lane closures and flagger traffic control, Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- * Route 765 (Gravels Road) Water line installation from Route 11 (North Valley Pike) to Route 720 (Shirttail Alley). Right shoulder closure, Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- * Route 799 (Piney Woods Road) Columbia Gas work from Route 211 (New Market Road) to Route 619 (Wampler Road). Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Intermittent shoulder closure. Flagger traffic control.
- * Route 800 (Long Meadow Drive) Columbia Gas work from Route 800 (Lone Pine Road) to Route 619 (Wampler Road). Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Intermittent shoulder closure. Flagger traffic control.
- * (NEW) Route 619 (Piney Woods Road) Spot widening 1.3 miles northeast of Route 890 (Buckley Road). Single lane closure with flagger traffic control. Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- * Route 800 (American Legion Drive) Columbia Gas work from Route 801 (Holsinger Road) to end of state maintenance. Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Intermittent shoulder closure. Flagger traffic control.
- * Route 801 (Holsinger Road) Columbia Gas work from Route 800 (American Legion Drive) to Route 619 (Wampler Road). Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Intermittent shoulder closure. Flagger traffic control.
- * Route 820 (Bergton Road) Motorists should be alert for travel delays of up to 20 minutes. Road construction and slope work. Work zone is 1.1-mile to 0.3-mile west of Route 259. As needed, single-lane closures with flagger traffic control, Monday to Friday during daylight hours. Completion is November 2010.
- * Route 890 (Buckley Road) Columbia Gas work from Route 619 (Piney Woods Road) to end of state maintenance. Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Intermittent shoulder closure. Flagger traffic control.
- * Route 981 (Rockingham. Pike) Turn lane installation from Route 33 (Spotswood Trail) to Route 829 (Independent Road). Right shoulder closure, intermittent detour from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Work zone is Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

PAGE COUNTY

Primary Road

* Various roads – Pipe installation, patching, brush cutting, shoulder repairs, ditching and grading. Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Secondary Roads

- * Route 211 Bridge over South Fork Shenandoah River will have maintenance from 0.06 mile west of Route 646 to 0.70 mile east of Route 615. Single-lane traffic, Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- * (NEW) Route 340 business Bridge deck maintenance at Stony Run located 1.1 mile west of Route 636. Single lane closures from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- * Various roads Pipe installation, patching, brush cutting, shoulder repairs, ditching and grading. Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- * Various roads Bridge cleaning, litter and debris removal, Monday to Saturday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Single-lane traffic controlled by flaggers or signs.
- * (NEW) Various roads Pipe installation, patching, brush cutting, shoulder repairs, ditching operations and grading. Monday to Friday 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

SHENANDOAH COUNTY

Interstate 81

- * (NEW) Mile marker 263 to 298 northbound and southbound Debris removal and bridge inspection, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- * Mile marker 285 to 295, northbound and southbound Bridge repairs at various locations. Single-lane closures from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m., Monday night through Friday morning.

Primary Roads

* (NEW) Route 11 – Paving from Route 614 to Route 1403 in Edinburg area. Single lane closures with flagger traffic control. Work is Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Work should finish at the end of May.

Secondary Roads

- * Route 744 (Deer Rapids) Bridge over Shenandoah River. Bridge work from 0.30-mile east of Route 648 to 0.45-mile east of Route 648. Traffic controlled by flaggers as needed during daylight hours, Monday to Friday. Estimated completion is April 14, 2011.
- * (NEW) Various roads Pipe cleaning, scraping, and plant mix patching.

FREDERICK COUNTY

Interstate 81

* (NEW) Mile marker 300 to 324 northbound and southbound – Debris removal and bridge inspection, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Primary Roads

* (NEW) Route 11 (Valley Pike) – CSX railroad crossing work. Road closed South of Route 652 at the CSX railroad crossing. Work is Saturday, May 15 at 6 a.m. to Sunday, May 16, at 7 p.m. Detour:

Northbound traffic will use Route 37 North to Route 622 (Cedar Creek Grade) East. Southbound traffic will use Route 622 (Cedar Creek Grade) West to Route 37 South.

* Route 37 northbound – Paving from Route 50 to Route 11 interchange. Sunday to Thursday night, 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Alternating lane closures.

* (NEW) Route 522 – Soft spot repair.

Secondary Roads

* (NEW) Route 604 (Gravel Springs Road) – Bridge replacement from 0.33 miles south of Route 603 to 0.6 mile north of Route 600. Road closed from May 17 at 7 a.m. until late June 2010. Detour:

Southbound traffic will use Route 603 (Brill Road) West to Route 600 (South Pifer Road) South to Route 604 (Gravel Springs Road)

Northbound traffic will use Route 600 (South Pifer Road) North to Route 603 (Brill Road) East to Route 604 (Gravel Springs Road)

* (NEW) Various roads - Patching, soft spot repair, and pipe cleaning.

CLARKE COUNTY

Primary Roads

- * (NEW) Route 340 Soft spot repairs at Route 7 eastbound.
- * Various roads Bridge cleaning, litter and debris removal, Monday to Saturday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Single-lane traffic controlled by flaggers or signs.

Secondary Roads

- * Various roads Bridge cleaning, litter and debris removal, Monday to Saturday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Single-lane traffic controlled by flaggers or signs.
- * (NEW) Various roads Patching and pipe replacement.

WARREN COUNTY

Interstate 66

* (NEW) Mile marker 0 to 13 eastbound and westbound – Debris removal and bridge inspection, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Interstate 81

* (NEW) Mile marker 298 to 300 northbound and southbound – Debris removal and bridge inspection, Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Primary Roads

- *(NEW) Route 340 Street sweeping in Front Royal area.
- * Various roads Bridge cleaning, litter and debris removal, Monday to Saturday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Single-lane traffic controlled by flaggers or signs.

Secondary Roads

- * Route 1026 (Happy Creek Road) Front Royal area Road improvement project from Sixth Street and Bradford Drive to near Route 606 (Shenandoah Shores Road). Temporary lane closures 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday to Friday.
- * Various roads Bridge cleaning, litter and debris removal, Monday to Saturday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Single-lane traffic controlled by flaggers or signs.
- * (NEW) Various roads Plant mix patching and street sweeping.

Vegetation management may occur district wide on various routes.

Motorists are reminded to use extreme caution when traveling through work zones. Traffic alerts and traveler information can be obtained by dialing 511. In areas where 511 is unavailable, dial 1-866-MY511VA (866-695-1182). Traffic alerts and traveler information also are available at 511Virginia.org.

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